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Hon. J. Frederick Motz, U.S. District Judge
U.S. DISTRICT COURT – MARYLAND
101 West Lombard Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Re: *Cline v Christy, et al.*
Case No.: JFM-03-529

Dear Judge Motz:

I am in receipt of your 23 January 2004 communication relative to the above-referenced matter, and I thank you for same.

Assuming that Defendants have and/or will consent to Trial before a Magistrate, I would request 8 March as the starting date for trial. This is based purely on my own schedule, and I appreciate that other counsel may have conflicting scheduling matters.

Respectfully,

Very truly yours,

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